

charge of a general hospital of 93 beds, a small-pox Hospital of 10 beds, and medical-legal work to perform as well. With such difficulties in the way of nursing and administration as have been described, it is satisfactory that the year's work has been got through without any remarkable failure.

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF
TOKIO will be despatched for San
Francisco, via Yokohama, with the option
of calling at Honolulu, on SATURDAY,
the 18th April, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers
and Freight for Japan, the United States,
and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
Inland Cities of the United States, via Over-
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and
Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central
and South America, by the Company's and
connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany by all
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

REVENUE PASSAGES.—Passengers, who
have paid full fare, re-embarking at San
Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa)
within six months, will be allowed a discount
of 20% from Return Fare; if re-embarking
within one year, an allowance of 10% will
be made from Return Fare. Free-Paid Re-
turn Passage Orders, available for one year,
will be issued at a Discount of 25% from
Return Fare. These allowances do not apply
to through fares from China and Japan to
Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 4
p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel
Packages will be received at the office until
5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo
destined to ports beyond San Francisco
should be sent to the Company's Office in
Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector
of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 504, Queen's Road Central,
F. E. FOSTER,
Agent.

Hongkong, April 7, 1885. 500

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, PONDICHERY,
MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ADEN, SUEZ,
PORT SAID,
MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK
SEA.

NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS
OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;
ALSO
BORDEAUX, LE HAVRE, DUNKIRK,
LONDON AND ANTWERP.

ON TUESDAY, the 21st April,
1885, at Noon, the Company's S.S.
TRAQUADDY, Commandant MACLE,
with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIAL
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Special will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until
Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m., Special and Parcel until 3 p.m. on the
20th April, 1885. (Parcels are not
to be sent on board; they must be left at
the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.

G. de CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, April 3, 1885. 003

INSURANCES.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL.—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of Fire on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be
received, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBBERG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1887. 100

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept
Risks on First Class Goods at 1
per cent. net premium per annum.

WORTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 19, 1881. 038

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:

Marine Department.
Policies at current rates, payable either
here, in London, or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates.

Lives Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, July 25, 1872. 496

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS of the above
Company, are authorized to insure
against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & Co.,
Hongkong, January 1, 1882. 14

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COM-
PANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company are
prepared to GRANT POLICIES on MARINE
RISKS to all parts of the World, at current
rates.

ARNOLD, KARBBERG & Co.
Hongkong, November 6, 1883. 865

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

In the following Statements and Tables
the Rates are given in cents, and are for
Letters per half ounce, for Books and
Newspapers per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight
are charged as double, treble, &c., as the
case may be, but such papers or packets
of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two
Newspapers must not be folded together as
one, nor must anything whatever be inserted
except both side Supplements. Printed
matter may, however, be enclosed, if the
whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current
may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers
as, though Written by Hand, do not bear
the character of an actual or personal corre-
spondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied
music, &c. The charge on them is the same
as for books, but, whatever the weight of
a packet containing any partially written
paper, it will not be charged less than 5
cents.

The sender of any Registered Article
may accompany it with a Return Receipt
on paying an extra fee of 5 cents.

The limit of weight for Books and Com-
mercial Papers to Foreign Post Offices is
4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited
to 8 ounces, and must not exceed these
dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2
inches.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise
Europe, all foreign possessions in Asia,
Japan, W. Africa, Egypt, Mauritania, all
N. America, Mexico, Salvador, Brazil,
Peru, Chili, Venezuela, The Argentine
Republic, Jamaica, Trinidad, Guiana,
Honduras, Bermuda, Labuan, Hawaii, with
all Danish, French, Netherlands, Portu-
guese and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief
countries not in the Union are the Aus-
tralian Group, and S. Africa.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rules, by any route—
Letters, 10 cents per 1 oz.
Post Cards, 3 cents each.
Registration, 10 cents.
Newspapers, 2 cents each.

Books, Patterns and 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on redirected corre-
spondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and
Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letter, 10; Re-
gistration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and
Patterns, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and
Patterns, 2.

Suez, the Cape, St. Helena, Ascen-
sion, Bolivia, Letters, 25; Registration,
10; Newspapers, 5; Books and Patterns, 5.

LOCAL POSTAGE.

General Local Rates for Hongkong,
Macau, China, Japan, Siam direct (4),
Canton, China, Tonquin, and the Philip-
pines—
Letters per 1 oz., 5 cents (+).
Post Cards, each, 1 cent.
Books, Parcels and Patterns, per 2 oz.,
2 cents.

Newspapers and Prices Current, each, 2
cents.
Registration, 10 cents.

(d) Via Singapore, 10 cents.
(e) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macau
2 cents.

Local Delivery.

1. All correspondence posted before 5
p.m. on any week day for addresses in
Canton will be delivered the same day,
and generally within two hours, unless the
delivery should be retarded by the Contract
Mails.

2. Invitations, &c. can generally be
delivered within Victoria at the private
houses of the addressees rather than at
places of business, if a wish to that effect
be expressed by the sender, otherwise all
correspondence is invariably delivered at
the nearest place of business.

3. Boxholders who desire to send Cir-
culars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards,
&c. all of the same night, to addresses in
Hongkong, Bangkok, or the Ports of
China, may deliver them to the Post
Office, and the postage being then
charged to the sender's account. Each
batch must consist of at least ten.

4. Boxholders may also send Patterns
to the same places in the same way.
Envelopes containing Patterns may be wholly
closed, if the nature of the contents be first
declared, or stated by the Postmaster.
Circulars, as may consider necessary, and
approved by him. Printed Circulars may
be inserted in such Pattern Packets.

PARCELS.—The public is reminded that
there is no such thing as Parcel Post
to Europe, &c. Much trouble and dis-
appointment are caused by persistent attempts
to send small valuable trifles through the
Post. Pens, Curios, Articles of Dress,
Fancy Work, and similar presents are con-
tinually being refused, the senders having
often spent more in Postage than would
have paid the freight by steamer. No
refund can be made on such parcels of the
value of Stamps obliterated before this
nature of the contents was discovered.

Local and Indian Parcel Post.

1. Small Parcels may be sent by Post
at Book Rates between Hongkong and any
of the British Post Offices in China, as well
as to Japan, Macao, Peking, the Straits
Settlements, Ceylon and India. They must
not exceed the following dimensions, 2 feet
long, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, weigh more
than 5 lbs., nor be smaller than 3 in. by 2
in. Such parcels may be wholly closed
if they bear this special endorsement,
PARCELS, CONTAINING NO LETTERS, but any
parcel may be opened by direction of the
Postmaster General. In the case of Parcels
for India a declaration of contents and
value is required, a printed form for which
is supplied gratis. The Registration of
Parcels for India and Ceylon is compulsory.

2. The following cannot be transmitted:
Parcels insufficiently packed or protected,
or liable to be crushed (as bandboxes,
&c.) Opium, Glass, Liquids, Explosive sub-
stances, Matches, Indigo, Dyes, Salts, Ice,
Mint, Fish, Game, Fruit, Vegetables, or
anything is dangerous to the Mails, or
likely to become offensive or injurious in
transit.

3. Parcels are as a general rule forwarded
by Private Ship, not by Contract Mail
Packet. To India they are forwarded by
the P. & O. and Indian Mail Packets only,
to Ceylon by P. & O. only. No respon-
sibility is accepted with regard to any
parcel, unless Registered, and then only to
the amount of \$10.

4. The public are cautioned not to con-
found these facilities with a Parcel Post
to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

It is necessary that the following rules
be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be
registered or unregistered, can be received

for Postage if it contains gold or silver
money, jewels, precious stones, or any-
thing that, as a general rule, is liable to
Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending
of Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the
quantity sent be so small as to make the
sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as
follows:—
Books and Papers to British Offices,
5 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 4 lbs.
Patterns to British Offices, 5 lbs. If with-
out intrinsic value; to the Continent,
&c., 8 oz.

Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Article.

The Post Office is not legally responsible
for the safe delivery of Registered correspon-
dence, but it is prepared to make good the
contents of such correspondence lost while
passing through the Post, to the extent of
\$10, in certain cases, provided—
1. That the sender duly observed all the
conditions of Registration required.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed
in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the
Postmaster General of Hongkong immedi-
ately the loss was discovered, the envelope
being invariably forwarded with such applica-
tion unless it also is lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied
that the loss occurred whilst the corre-
spondence was in the custody of the British
Postal administration in China, that it was
not caused by any fault on the part of the
sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck,
nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any
person not in the employment of the
Hongkong Post Office.

5. No compensation can be paid for mere
damage to fragile articles such as portraits,
pictures, hand-painted books, &c., which
reach their destination, although in a
broken or deteriorated condition.

Mixed or Delayed Correspondence.

When correspondence has been misdirected
or delayed (both of which are liable to
happen occasionally) all that the addressee
need do is to note on the cover, Sent to
me, or Received at 7 p.m., or as the case
may be, and forward it without any
other writing whatever, to the Postmaster
General. This should be acted on the first
time cause of complaint occurs; it is a
mistake to let such matters pass for fear of
giving trouble, a course which generally
gives more trouble in the end.

Chair, Jirricksha, and Boat
Hire.

LEGISLATED TABLE OF RATES FOR CHAIRS,
CHAIR RICKSHAS, AND BOATS,
IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.

Chairs.

Half hour, 10 cents; One hour, 20 cents;
Three hours, 50 cents; Four hours, 70 cents.
Day (from 6 to 6), One Dollar.

TO VICTORIA FARE.

Four Coaches, \$1.00; Three Coaches, \$1.50;
Two Coaches, \$2.00.

By Victoria Road.

Four Coaches, \$2.00; Three Coaches, \$2.50;
Two Coaches, \$3.00.

By Victoria Road.

Four Coaches, \$1.75; Three Coaches, \$2.25;
Two Coaches, \$2.75.

By Victoria Road.

Four Coaches, \$1.50; Three Coaches, \$2.00;
Two Coaches, \$2.50.

By Victoria Road.

Four Coaches, \$1.25; Three Coaches, \$1.75;
Two Coaches, \$2.25.

By Victoria Road.

Four Coaches, \$1.00; Three Coaches, \$1.50;
Two Coaches, \$2.00.

By Victoria Road.

Four Coaches, \$0.75; Three Coaches, \$1.25;
Two Coaches, \$1.75.

By Victoria Road.

Four Coaches, \$0.50; Three Coaches, \$0.75;
Two Coaches, \$1.00.

By Victoria Road.

Four Coaches, \$0.25; Three Coaches, \$0.50;
Two Coaches, \$0.75.

By Victoria Road.

Four Coaches, \$0.10; Three Coaches, \$0.25;
Two Coaches, \$0.40.

By Victoria Road.

Four Coaches, \$0.05; Three Coaches, \$0.10;
Two Coaches, \$0.20.

By Victoria Road.

Four Coaches, \$0.02; Three Coaches, \$0.05;
Two Coaches, \$0.10.

By Victoria Road.

Four Coaches, \$0.01; Three Coaches, \$0.02;
Two Coaches, \$0.05.

By Victoria Road.

Four Coaches, \$0.005; Three Coaches, \$0.01;
Two Coaches, \$0.02.

By Victoria Road.

Four Coaches, \$0.002; Three Coaches, \$0.005;
Two Coaches, \$0.01.

By Victoria Road.

Four Coaches, \$0.001; Three Coaches, \$0.002;
Two Coaches, \$0.005.

By Victoria Road.

Four Coaches, \$0.0005; Three Coaches, \$0.001;
Two Coaches, \$0.002.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at
Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore B., and those in the body of the
Shipping or midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section. 1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. & O. Co.'s Office.

Section. 5. From P. & O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignee or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Atalanta	Pfaff	Ger. str.	738	April 16	Siemens & Co.	K'loon Dock
Benvenue	Thomson	Brit. str.	1397	April 16	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	
Celebes	Hiam	Brit. str.	1423	April 16	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
China	Wisor	Amer. str.	648	April 14	Mulhern & Co.	
City of Tokio	Mary	Amer. str.	874	April 11	Russell & Co.	
Crusader	Rowin	Brit. str.	3129	April 9	P. M. S. S. Co.	San Francisco
Deucalion	Purdy	Brit. str.	648	April 10	Butterfield & Swire	Whampoa
Ela	Kuehner	Ger. str.	1574	April 10	Butterfield & Swire	Haiphong
Estrella	Campan	Span. str.	323	April 14	R. M. S.	Amoy, &c.
Fantasia	Hobson	Brit. str.	117	April 15	H. K. & W. P. Dock Co.	Whampoa
Fidilio	Brook	Ger. str.	852	April 15	Chinese	Marseilles, &c.
Ingram	Musmann	Ger. str.	893	April 14	Wielor & Co.	
Irondred	Mace	Fch. str.	2777	Mar. 23	Messageries Maritimes	
Kwang Lou	Andrew	Amer. str.	459	Mar. 3	Horne & Co.	
Melita	Black	Brit. str.	339	April 16	Wielor & Co.	
Moscar	Clifford	Brit. str.	1323	April 11	Russell & Co.	
Pembroke	Such	Fch. str.	4655	April 7	Messageries Maritimes	
Pha Chua Chom Kiao	Davies	Brit. str.	1716	April 12	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Swatow & Bangkok
Phat Phat	Lightwood	Brit. str.	1011	April 15	Yuen Fat Hong	
Phat Phat	Spiani	Brit. str.	1063	April 11	Siemens & Co.	Yokohama
Polythymia	Bhane	Brit. str.	1262	April 14	Russell & Co.	Swatow & Amoy
Rory	Wright	Brit. str.	252	April 14	R. M. S.	Haiphong
Sea Gull	Worcester	Amer. str.	48	April 14	China Traders' Insurance Co.	Bombay, &c.
Sumatra	Worcester	Brit. str.	1406	April 14	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Haiphong
Will o' the Wisp	Worcester	Brit. str.	166	Dec. 22	Fusata & Co.	Haiphong
Yokohama	Arnold	Brit. str.	1225	April 11	Russell & Co.	Haiphong

Sailing Vessels							
Alden Bessie	3	h O'Brien	Amer. bge.	812	Dec. 9	Molchers & Co.	Victoria, B.O.
Alexander McNeil	4	h David	Amer. str.	1088	Dec. 29	Carlowitz & Co.	London
Anchor	4	h Steinbrugg	Ger. bge.	441	Mar. 4	h Melchers & Co.	Sandakan, &c.
Archos	4	h Barker	Brit. bge.	459	Mar. 3	h Borneo & Co., Limited.	Chetco
Billy Simpson	2	h Brown	Brit. bge.	432	April 1	Chinese	
Bismar Wood	8	h Gygy	Brit. sh.	1333	April 8	P. & O. S. N. Co.	
Blackadder	1	h Hero	Brit. sh.	917	Mar. 24	h Russell & Co.	Honolulu
Centaur	8	h Offerson	Ger. bge.	648	Dec. 29	h Wier & Co.	
Christine	8	h Wildfang	Ger. bge.	542	Mar. 21	h Russell & Co.	New York
Crusader	7	h Reid	Amer. bge.	605	Nov. 13	h Russell & Co.	
Edon	4	h Blair	Brit. bge.	312	April 3	h Captain	
Goodell	3	h Haggard	Amer. bge.	840	Jan. 4	h Adamson, Bell & Co.	
Guiding Star	3	h Schmitz	Brit. bge.	312	April 3	h Edmund Schellens & Co.	
Ino. M. Clerk	3	h Conant	Amer. bge.	312	Mar. 24	h H. Tripp	K'loon D.
Koon Lee	3	h Hansen	Span. bge.	243	April 10	Order	
Lady Harwood	2	h Williams	Brit. bge.	382	Mar. 26	Chinese.	Tientsin
Lemux Castle	3	h Sobrido	Brit. bge.	693	Oct. 31	h Lane, Crawford & Co.	For sale
Margarita	5	h Sobrido	Span. bge.	265	April 10	h Lane, Crawford & Co.	
Marina	3	h McPherson	Brit. bge.	864	Feb. 4	h Arnold, Karberg & Co.	Victoria, V.I.
May Stewart	4	h Thompson	Brit. bge.	454	April 4	h Chinese	
Minna Deutschmann	4	h Spilling	Ger. 3m. str.	511	h Blackhead & Co.		K'loon D.
Mount Lebanon	4	h C. H. Nelson	Est. bktins.	650	Aug. 21	h Arnold, Karberg & Co.	Honolulu.
Moss 13 Tower	8	h Baker	Amer. 3m. str.	605	April 1	h Borneo Co., Limited.	
Nellie M. Slade	4	h Gould	Amer. sch.	535	Feb. 13	h Arnold, Karberg & Co.	New York
New City	3	h Bray	Brit. sh.	1441	April 3	h Melchers & Co.	
Republie	8	h Holmes	Amer. sh.	1253	Mar. 3	h Russell & Co.	K'loon D.
R. R. Thomas	8	h Nichols	Amer. sh.	1322	Mar. 21	h Order	
Sarah S. Ridgway	4	h Fernando	Amer. bge.	831	Nov. 20	Chinese	Cailao
Seaman	3	h Henderson	Amer. bge.	276	Mar. 4	h Blackhead & Co.	
Thiava	8	h Fraser	Brit. sh.	1174	Mar. 21	h Messageries Maritimes	San Francisco
Velocity	2	h Martin	Brit. bge.	493	April 5	h Pustan & Co.	Portland
W. H. Beeso	4	h Gibbs	Amer. sh.	1627	Jan. 8	h Captain	
Wildwood	4	h Sawyer	Amer. bge.	1090	April 10	h Russell & Co.	K'loon D.
				April 16	h Wier & Co.		